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Towards this end we enclose a copy of the corrected filing receipt and attach a copy of the Declaration filed with the application, which indicates the aforementioned needed correction.

Please effect a correction of the Filing Receipt and forward it to us at your earliest convenience.

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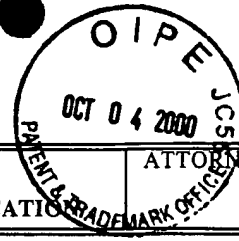
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(1) TITLE OF  
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(1) Process and apparatus for producing and/or packaging cigarettes

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(2) ☒ is attached hereto.

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and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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